

\$5,000 & Up

County Fair Luncheon

Over 80 county fairs are invited to attend the County Fair Luncheon, **Wednesday, August 22nd**. A special guest speaker will introduce the "Homemaker of the Year" contestants, winning Homemakers from County Fairs Statewide. Homemakers are judged by a 100 point system based on Homemaker Strengths, Appearance, Communication Skills, Community Involvement, Enthusiasm, Personal Interest and Any Other. Each entrant receives a single rose, a certificate and a Michigan State Fair bag of goodies. The top six winners receive premiums. The previous year's MSF "Homemaker of the Year" will present the new MSF "Homemaker of the Year" with a tiara, sash, premium, plaque, director's chair and additional prizes. Approximate attendance is 300.

Fine Arts Area, Awards Program, Preview & Reception

The Fine Arts Area is a main attraction in the Community Arts Exhibit Hall. Fair patrons are delighted by the variety of statewide entries on display, both amateur and professional. The media offered are: Oil Painting, Water Color Painting, Porcelain Painting, Prints & Drawings, Sculpture and Photography. A special section features our Michigan Wildlife.

On **Date TBD**, the Awards Program, Fine Arts Preview and Reception will be held in the Community Arts Building. Many of our talented Michigan artists will be presented with awards. Immediately following the awards presentation will be the preview of the Fine Arts Area. Concluding the evening is a gala reception for the artists and their guests.

Hog, Sheep or Goat Area

These areas have the largest Hog, Sheep and Goat Shows in the state. The Hogs have 10 breeds with over 1,000 entries. The Sheep have 18 breeds with over 1,700 entries. The Goats have 10 breeds with over 450 entries. Fairgoers of all ages always show a great interest in these livestock areas.

Lost Children's Area

Child safety is always a prime concern of the Michigan State Fair. Everyday thousands of children attend the Fair and it is not unusual for parents to get lost! With this in mind, the Lost Children's Area provides a safe and secure environment attended by returning childcare providers.

Tri-Fold Maps

Tri-Fold sponsor will have their logo and advertising (may be coupon) on one day of choice on the Events of the Day and Map of the Fairgrounds that are given out **FREE** to patrons during the Fair.

Youth Department

The Youth Department, located in the Community Arts Exhibit Hall, showcases the entries of hundreds of our talented Michigan Youth ages 9 - 18. The Youth Department has 25 Sections that include various classes: Homemaking, Art, Photography, Shoebox Float, Hobby Show, Industrial Arts and Floriculture. Entries also include Gold Ribbon Winners from participating County Fairs.